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4190 IL Route 83
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LQ interview: acclaimed local author Ronald Balson



This fall brings a new book from Ronald H. Balson: *Defending Britta Stein* comes out September 7. His novel *The Girl from Berlin* won the National Jewish Book Award and was a selection of Illinois Reads. He is also the author of *Eli's Promise* (out in paperback August 31), *Karolina's Twins*, *The Trust*, *Saving Sophie*, and the international best-seller *Once We Were Brothers*. He lives in our community.

Q: Attorney, author, professor...what was your first job?

A: My first job after college was teaching elementary school in Chicago. I taught special education to teenage boys in a Chicago public school for seven years and I loved it. During that time, I went to law school at DePaul University at night. After graduating, I began practicing law, but I didn't stop teaching. I taught business law at the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business in their evening program for 25 years.

Q: What's your favorite Chicagoland destination?

A: Perhaps Chicago's greatest asset is to be located alongside the world's nicest freshwater lake. We have had an open-bow boat since the kids were little, and we have always enjoyed the water and the beaches.

Q: Which authors do you most enjoy reading?

A: My interests lean toward history and historical fiction. For that reason, I enjoy reading Leon Uris, Herman Wouk, James Michener, Jon Meacham, and Doris Kearns Goodwin. For her style and use of the language, I am a big fan of Joan Didion. Because I am writing a story about Roosevelt and World War II, I am currently reading *No Ordinary Time* by Doris Kearns Goodwin.

Q: What inspired you to start writing?

A: It seems as though I have always been a writer. I was an editor of my high school and college newspapers. I have been writing briefs, memoranda, and appeals as an attorney for 49 years. In the back of my mind, I think I have always had an urge to write creatively. The "inspiration" or "motivation" to write my first novel came when I was involved in a telecommunications lawsuit that took me to Poland. It's pretty hard to spend time in Poland and not be moved by its history. After my time there, I wrote *Once We Were Brothers* about a Polish family during the war.

Q: What do you hope your readers take away from *Defending Britta Stein*?

A: The story of the Danish people and their courage during the Nazi occupation is unique in World War II history. As a country, they rose up together to resist the German takeover of their society. When the order was issued by the German command to deport all the Danish Jews to a concentration camp, the Danish people, acting as a whole, hid all their Jewish brethren from the Gestapo, and shuttled them by fishing boats to safety in Sweden. In *Defending Britta Stein*, I have attempted to convey the essence of that Danish spirit; that although Denmark was subjugated militarily, the Danish spirit was never conquered.

Q: Is there someone who particularly inspires you?

A: I am continually inspired by my wife and children, who do great things every day.

“The Library of Welcomes”

48 years of community service

In 1973, the people of Vernon Township became determined to establish a local library to serve residents. In the decades since, Vernon Area has grown into a modern, full-service library.

1973

After area residents vote against being annexed to a neighboring library district, a steering committee is formed to explore a local library. Members include William Apostolakis, Harold Baner, Dwight Chapman, Jackie DeMarco, Justin Fishbein (chair), Judy Foss, Anita Garza, Thomas Gehring, Alvin Kruse, Melvin Marcott, Robert McGuire, Alice Moody (vice chair), William Peterson, Clarence Pontius (Vernon Township supervisor), Elmer Shirley, Frances Wilkins, Ruth Willut, and Joan Wilts.

The first library, consisting of 2,000 withdrawn books donated by Highland Park Library, is set up in room 230 of Stevenson High School.

1974

The library moves to the “Little White House on the Prairie” — a one-room trailer in the high school parking lot. When lights are lowered for children’s movies, determined patrons continue browsing books.

552 out of 570 voters approve a referendum to fund the construction of a community library.

1975

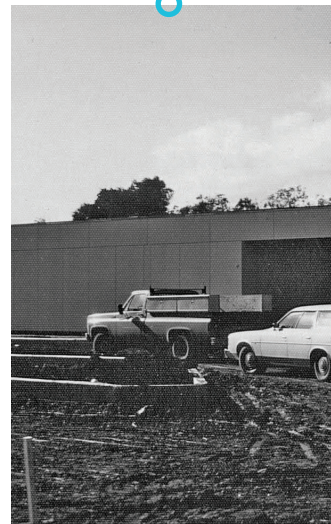
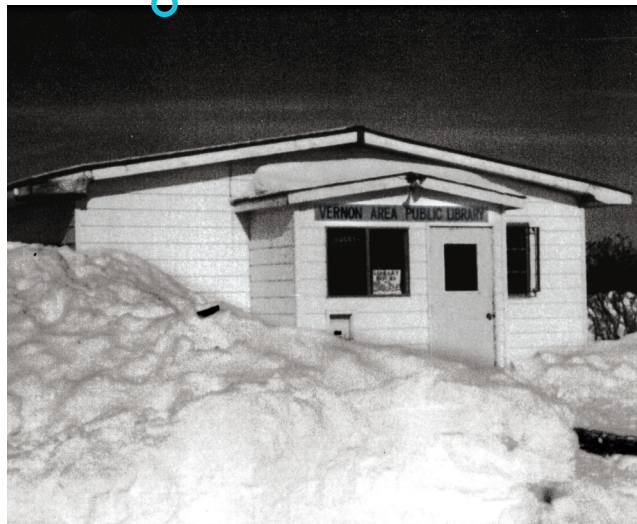
The first permanent library opens at 4 Indian Creek Road, Prairie View. The building, today called “the Annex,” is designed to serve a community of 10,000 and house 40,000 items. As the area develops, the population soon surpasses that number and so do the items held to meet public demand.

1984

Computers and printers are made available to the public.

A newspaper article about the library’s tenth anniversary describes it as “an airy, colorful place where plants and people grow and bloom.” One of the community members interviewed calls it “the Library of Welcomes.”

The library is open 64 hours a week (up from 44 in 1974), houses 32,000 items (up from 3,500) and checks out 105,000 items a year (up from 15,000).



1993

The current building opens at 300 Olde Half Day Road. The 50,000-square-foot building was funded through the voter-approved sale of \$6.9 million in bonds.

1995

Public internet is added.

2004

Public Wi-Fi is added.

2005

E-books are added.

2010

The library is awarded 3 stars by the Library Journal's index of services, putting it in the top 4% of public libraries across the nation. Vernon Area earns 3- or 4-star ratings again in 2011, 2013, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2019, and 2020.

2013

The 20-year-old building is updated with new lighting and shelving, junior high area, quiet reading room, fireplace, and lobby.

The Library Garden is planted. Tended by community volunteers, all vegetables are donated to a local food pantry. The project continues annually.

2015

Vernon Area becomes one of the first public libraries in the Midwest to eliminate overdue fines.

2017

With neighboring Cook Memorial and Indian Trails public libraries, Vernon Area launches One Book, One Community. The popular series, highlighted by an author visit, features Thrity Umrigar in 2017 and continues annually with novelists Laurie Rico Albanese (2018), Jamie Ford (2019), Madeline Miller (2020), and Jacqueline Woodson (2021).

2019

The library serves a population of 42,000 and houses 182,337 items (books, DVDs, CDs). Cardholders also have access to tens of thousands of e-books and streaming videos. There are nearly 1.1 million checkouts this year.

March 14, 2020

The library building closes to the public in response to the global pandemic.

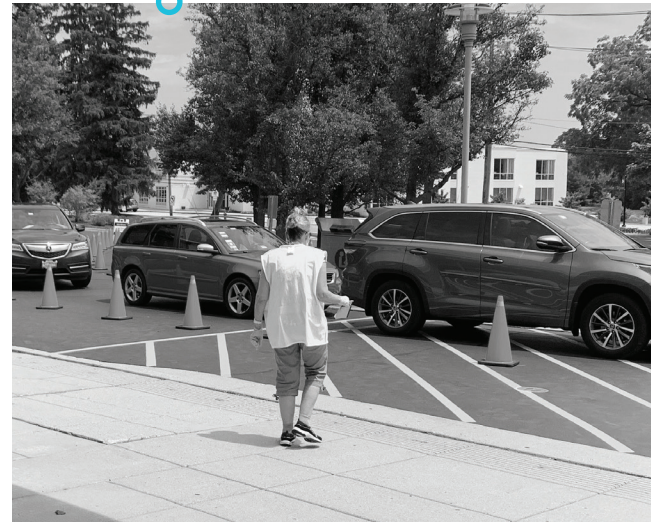
Online services are quickly expanded to provide the public with uninterrupted access to materials, resources, librarian assistance, and virtual educational programs.

June 2020

Curbside pickup service begins.

June 14, 2021

After a five-month construction project that added a drive-up window and covered walkway, the library building reopens to the public. It is open every day of the week and longer than ever before, a total of 71 hours each week.



Speaking English:

The power of one-on-one conversation



Kyounghee Lee, Student



Nancy Chen, Volunteer

The library offers an English Conversation Partner program to give language learners a chance to speak and listen in a casual setting. Students are matched with volunteers for 45 minutes of online conversation, up to twice a month.

Since last fall, learner Kyounghee Lee and volunteer Nancy Chen have been meeting regularly on Zoom. Lee, whose first language is Korean, wanted to keep practicing English. "Since the pandemic started, it was hard for me to find chances to interact with people outside [my home]," said Lee.

Chen has been volunteering at English as a second language (ESL) classes for 11 years, seven of them at Vernon Area Public Library. She describes the conversations as an extension of the classes. Learners "can ask any questions, ask us to repeat or slow down, or explain American traditions," explained Chen. "They can have conversations tailored to what they want to talk about, while listening to the native English speaker's pronunciation and cadence."

When Lee and Chen connect online, they discuss whatever comes to mind — "family, cultural traditions, health, good restaurants, movies, life during the pandemic!" said Chen. Lee, too, enjoys chatting about "anything and everything" including life in the United States, her previous job, current hobbies, and topics related to Korea.

"We take speaking English for granted, with all its irregular verbs (is, are, was, were) and its idioms (cold turkey, cat got your tongue)," said Chen. "What you give by just speaking English is a gift to others who are in a new country, away from their family and friends, trying to navigate American culture and English."

"We are all stronger if we are willing and able to help others in our community. When my great grandparents arrived in the U.S. from China in the 1880s, I wish they were able to be supported by a community like the library's ESL program," said Chen. "I volunteer in their honor, to ease the path for recent immigrants."

From Lee's perspective, the program is "a good opportunity to improve English communication skills, meet people in the community, and learn more about life and culture of America and other countries." She has found that the conversations give more benefits than expected. "It served as a great source of emotional support during the pandemic. Whenever meeting the partners online, I feel that I am not alone...that we are in the same shoes, cheering up each other."

To request a conversation partner or learn more, visit VAPLD.info/LearnEnglish (Vernon Area Library card-holders only). To volunteer, email volunteer@VAPLD.info.

FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

Your Vernon Area Public Library card gives you unlimited access to these helpful resources.

Books and other materials in world languages

Visit the library to check out books, newspapers, magazines, and movies in a variety of languages including Spanish, Russian, Chinese, Korean, Hindi, Tamil, and Polish. Browse online at VAPLD.info/world-languages.

Mango

This highly rated app includes English instruction from 21 languages. Get started at VAPLD.info/mango.

PressReader

Get news from around the world. Read any of 6,000+ newspapers and magazines in their original language at VAPLD.info/PressReader.

Pronunciator

This online language learning tool includes self-directed lessons, live tutoring, movies, music, and a U.S. citizenship course. Begin anytime at VAPLD.info/Pronunciator.



MORNINGSTAR

Make informed decisions about your investments with the knowledge you gain from the experts at Morningstar. Get independent analysis, research stocks and mutual funds, and see how your top picks are rated.

Log in with your Vernon Area Library card number at VAPLD.info/Morningstar.



KANOPY

Find something good to watch instantly. Browse and stream movie classics, world cinema, indie films, and documentaries, including lots of award winners. The Kanopy app works on lots of devices including tablets, Roku, and AppleTV. Check out up to 10 titles a month with your Vernon Area Library card.

Get started: VAPLD.info/Kanopy.



ANCESTRY

Learn about your family history by following your ancestors' paper trails. Ancestry is a vast digital collection that includes documents from North America (including census data through 1940), the United Kingdom, Europe, Australia, and other regions. Access this genealogy resource with your Vernon Area Library card number at VAPLD.info/Ancestry. Available at home through December 31, 2021.



Lunchtime Series

Take a midday break to learn something new.

Rock 'n' Roll Roadshow
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1 PM
LIBRARY ANNEX LAWN

The History of Picture Postcards
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1 PM

Black Music's Impact on America
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1 PM

The Essential Great Chicago Fire
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1 PM

Betty Crocker's Cookbook
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1 PM

Pearl Harbor Remembered
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1 PM

Astounding Author Events

A star-filled lineup of live, online events with A-list authors.

Kristin Hannah, *The Four Winds*
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 6 PM

Richard Rothstein, *The Color of Law*
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 7 PM

Chris Bohjalian, *Hour of the Witch*
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 6:30 PM

Cathy Park Hong, *Minor Feelings*
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 7 PM

Selected events for adults

Free and open to all. Online except as noted. Most online events offer closed-captioning; check listings. Sign up (required) at VAPLD.info/calendar or by calling 224-543-1485.

Building the Brooklyn Bridge

Historian Gary Midkiff recounts the amazing story of construction and the husband-and-wife team who willed the bridge to be a success.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 7 PM

Art Exhibit Preview: "Jesus of Western Avenue" by Tony Fitzpatrick

Curator Justin Witte takes you on a tour of the Carney Museum of Art inaugural exhibition featuring the work (pictured) of celebrated Chicago artist Tony Fitzpatrick.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 7 PM

Chocolate: History, Health Benefits & Romance

Educator and chocolate tourism pioneer Valerie Beck lets you in on all the secrets of the irresistible confection.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 7 PM

For a complete listing of events, including computer and technology classes, book discussions, and movie discussions, visit VAPLD.info/calendar.



This fall's hottest new books

Take your pick of this season's most buzzed-about titles. Available for checkout from the library.

The Guide by Peter Heller

The Reading List by Sara Nisha Adams

The Last Mona Lisa by Jonathan Santlofer

Beautiful World, Where Are You by Sally Rooney

Velvet Was the Night by Silvia Moreno-Garcia

The Turnout by Megan Abbott

She Who Became the Sun by Shelley Parker-Chan

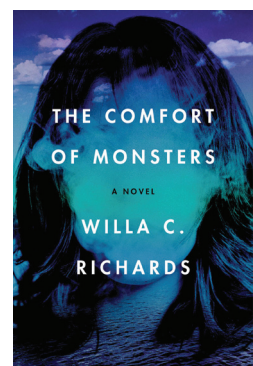
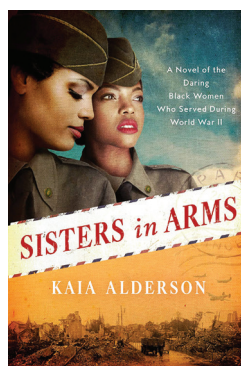
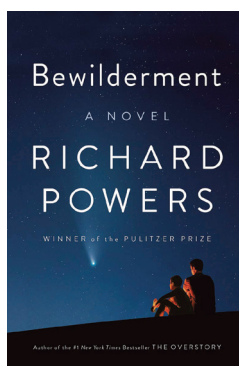
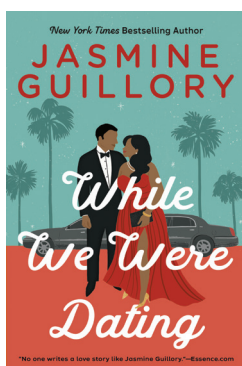
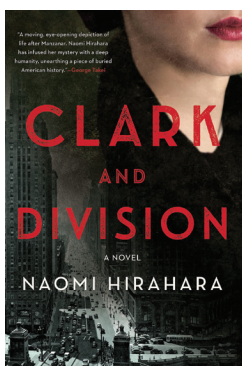
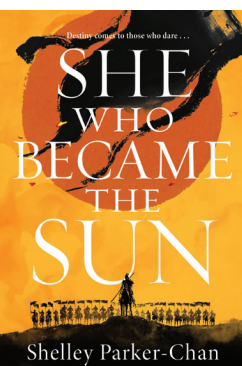
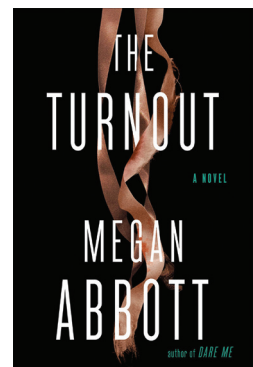
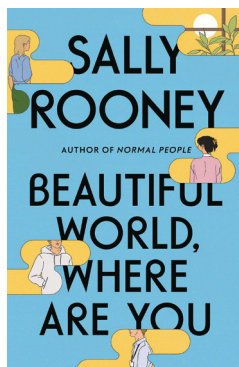
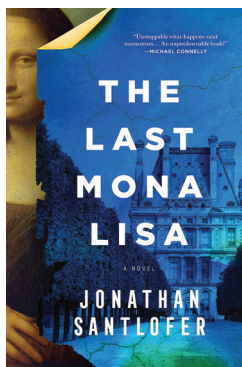
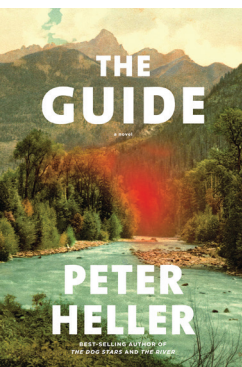
Clark and Division by Naomi Hirahara

While We Were Dating by Jasmine Guillory

Bewilderment by Richard Powers

Sisters in Arms by Kaia Alderson

The Comfort of Monsters by Willa C. Richards





VOLUNTEER FROM HOME

Virtual volunteering makes it easy to earn service hours and give back in a way that works for you. The library volunteer program for grades 7–12 is completely flexible: no application, no training, and no minimum hours. Begin at [VAPLD.info/TeenVolunteers](https://vapl.org/TeenVolunteers).



MANGO

Try this fun-infused way to learn a new language. Mango prepares you for realistic conversations and strengthens everyday communication skills in more than 70 world languages. Download the highly rated Mango app to learn anywhere or learn online. Go to [VAPLD.info/Mango](https://vapl.org/Mango) to get started.



STEVENSON READS: AUDIO

Listening to an assigned book while you read along (and annotate) can boost comprehension and help you be more productive. Use your Vernon Area Library card to check out audiobooks from the Stevenson High School Reads shelves. Visit the library or go to [VAPLD.info/SHSReadsAudio](https://vapl.org/SHSReadsAudio).

Selected events for teens

Free and open to all. Sign up (required) at [VAPLD.info/calendar](https://vapl.org/calendar) or by calling 224-543-1486.

Off the Page: A Teen Book Club grades 8–12

Add your voice to the banter in a discussion of the month's selection. Online.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 7 PM:
Raybearer by Jordan Ifueko

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 7 PM:
Almost American Girl by Robin Ha

Art Workshop: Carve a Jack-o'-Lantern with Artist Edward Cabral

teens & adults

Learn tips and tricks for creating a show-stopping jack-o'-lantern from pro Cabral (pictured), who showcases his work at pumpkin festivals across the nation. Online.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 6:30 PM

Games for Grownups grades 9–12 & up

Sign up on your own or with a friend to get rolling on the library's Discord server. Choose from hundreds of games, join a group or arrange your own, share a board, and text or voice chat with your fellow gamers.

SUNDAYS, 12:30–4 PM
SEPT 12 & 19, OCT 10, NOV 7

Plus Take & Make Kits

at-home activity for grades 6–12

Reserve your themed kit for pickup at the library. Go to [VAPLD.info/calendar](https://vapl.org/calendar) and select each month's listing to sign up.

SEPTEMBER: Bullet Journal
OCTOBER: Haunted Terrarium
NOVEMBER: Fairy Door

For a complete listing of events, visit [VAPLD.info/calendar](https://vapl.org/calendar).





Get homework help from an online tutor

Local schools excel in educating K through 12 students. But when a new concept is difficult to grasp, when parents or peers aren't able to answer a question, or when input is needed on a writing assignment, turn to Tutor.com.

This online resource gives Vernon Area Public Library cardholders access to live, qualified tutors, every day from 2 to 11 PM CT.

Subject specialists are ready to give one-on-one tutoring to students through grade 12. Get help with algebra, calculus, statistics, chemistry, physics, English, foreign languages, and other subjects. Or work with a tutor to prep for exams, including AP and college board tests.

Log in with your Vernon Area Public Library card number at [VAPLD.info/tutor](https://vapl.org/info/tutor).



PARENT-TEACHER COLLECTION

Questions about raising your child or helping children learn? Look here for answers. You'll find books on a variety of topics including parenting, supporting sensitive or gifted children, special needs, and supplementing learning at home. Browse the Parent-Teacher shelves in person or visit VAPLD.info/Parent-Teacher.



HOOPLA

Comic books and graphic novels at your fingertips. Studies show that the words-plus-pictures format boosts vocabulary, helps kids understand context, and promotes social-emotional learning. Plus, they're fun! Borrow up to 10 titles every month with your Vernon Area Public Library card. Begin at VAPLD.info/Hoopla.



LIBBY

From nursery rhymes and classic tales to robots and pirates, the Libby app gives you access to thousands of children's e-books and audiobooks, including award winners and best sellers. Tap into Libby on most any device. Visit VAPLD.info/Libby to begin browsing.



Selected events for kids

Events are free and open to all. Sign up (required) at VAPLD.info/calendar or by calling 224-543-1486. Please note location of each event, outdoors or online.

Art with Miss Jane

grades K–5 with an adult

Your child's creativity plus step-by-step guidance equals satisfying art experiences every time. Two sessions on each date; check listings for times and details.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 • OUTSIDE
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 • ONLINE
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21 • ONLINE

Family Concerts

all ages with an adult

Enjoy performances by nationally acclaimed children's musicians. Events are held on the lawn, near the Annex. See page 12 for more info.

Little Miss Ann (pictured)
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 11 AM

Alina Celeste & Mi Amigo Hamlet
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, 11 AM

STEAM Fair

all ages with an adult

Cycle through science experiment stations including "Fling & Wing" with the Discovery Center Museum, screen printing, button machines, 3D printing, Sphero, and Cubelets. Takes place outside the Library Annex.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
11 AM -OR- 2 PM

Plus Take & Make Kits

at-home activity for all ages

Drop by the library to get your crafting kit at the drive-up window or inside. A different theme each month. Available while supplies last, beginning:

SEPTEMBER 2: Tissue Paper Painting
OCTOBER 1: Halloween Carnival
OCTOBER 22: Día de los Muertos
NOVEMBER 3: Diwali
NOVEMBER 10: Mini Comic Con

For a complete listing of events, visit VAPLD.info/calendar.



Connecting with school kids, one book at a time

Every academic year, youth services staff from the library visit all local schools. They speak to thousands of students in first through eighth grade, one grade at a time. The Book Talks shine a light on current books, picked just for students. The idea is to encourage children to explore what interests them, to read for fun. They also remind kids that the public library has lots of great books and friendly people who are ready to help.

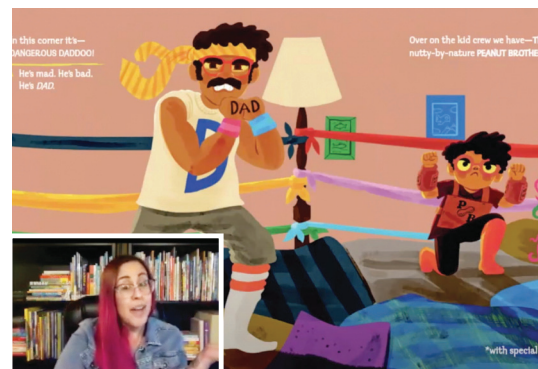
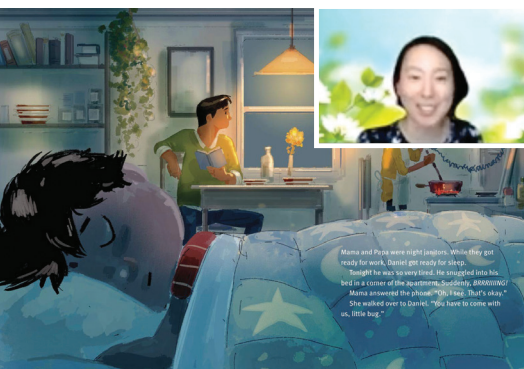
Spring 2020 brought the in-person visits to a halt as schools moved to remote learning. But the Book Talks carried on, just in a different format. When the school year began, Vernon Area librarians were ready with short videos for grades 1 through 8, all on YouTube. Each Book Talk video is presented by a youth librarian who tells students about two or three books, with a new video each month.

Kindergartners get their own video series, Book Bites, featuring Miss Julia reading stories perfect for budding readers. Each short storytime ends with a few suggestions for picture books to check out.

The book recommendations for K–8 are also available on the library website. A Book Talk page for each grade lists books of the month and top picks for fiction, nonfiction, and graphic novels.

Look for new video installments as this school year gets underway: visit [VAPLD.info/YouTube](https://vapl.org/YouTube) and select “playlists” to browse by grade level.

For even more fresh recommendations for your young readers, visit [VAPLD.info/BookTalks](https://vapl.org/BookTalks).





PUZZLES

Solving a puzzle comes with big benefits. As little ones put together colorful pieces, they're recognizing shapes and patterns, building fine motor skills, developing hand-eye coordination, problem solving, and learning patience. To help boost this early learning, your library offers more than 100 puzzles for checkout. Visit the library or browse them at VAPLD.info/puzzles.



TUMBLEBOOK LIBRARY

Browse and borrow picture books instantly! Tumblebook includes e-books of new and classic picture books and read-alongs. *Tambien en español*. Log in with your Vernon Area Library card number at VAPLD.info/Tumblebook.



SONGS & RHYMES ON VIMEO

If your tot can't get enough of storytimes, look to your library's Vimeo channel for short clips of favorite songs, finger plays, rhymes from around the world, and read-alouds. The early learning team often adds content for each age and stage. No account needed. Browse and watch anytime at vimeo.com/VernonKids.

Selected events for ages 0–5

Events are free and open to all. Sign up (required) at VAPLD.info/calendar or by calling 224-543-1486. Please note location of each event, outdoors or online.

Family Concert: Little Miss Ann all ages with an adult

The award-winning kids' musician, instructor at Old Town School of Folk Music, and multi-instrumentalist Little Miss Ann returns for an outdoor concert at the library.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 11 AM

Family Concert: Alina Celeste & Mi Amigo Hamlet

all ages with an adult

These acclaimed, genre-bending musicians (pictured) perform in English and Spanish in an outdoor concert at the library.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, 11 AM

Mini Math Magicians

3–5 years

Join Miss Emily for books, rhymes, and songs that involve shapes and numbers. Then, follow along to make a simple game. Online.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 10 AM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 10 AM

Plus Little Pages & Play Boxes

at-home activity for ages 0–2

Nurture early learning skills with a Little Pages & Play subscription. Each month's box includes supplies and simple instructions for a crafted plaything (yours to keep) and board books (checked out to your library card). Sign up at VAPLD.info/LPPB.

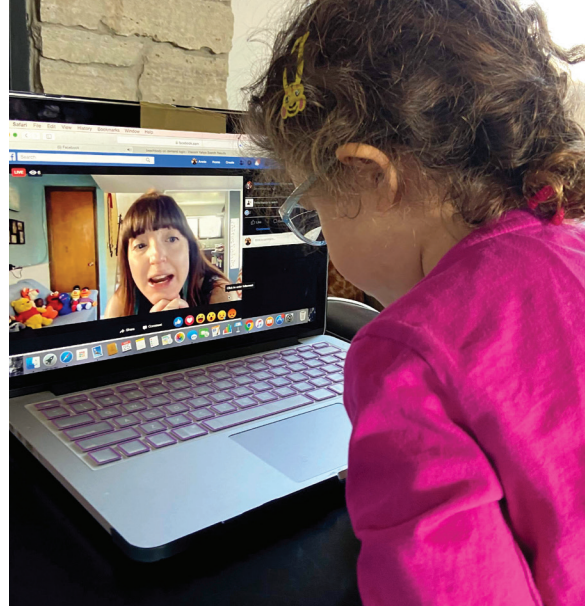
For a complete listing of events, visit VAPLD.info/calendar.



Storytimes

Attend library storytimes to help your child make a strong start on their lifelong journey of discovery and understanding. Storytimes may seem like pure fun, but they are serious, brain-building business. Each session is designed with activities to boost reading readiness, concept awareness, and social-emotional skills for your child's developmental stage.

Events are free and open to all. Sign up (required) at VAPLD.info/calendar or by calling 224-543-1486. Programs take place on Zoom except as noted.



Baby Rhyme Storytime

0–14 months

Join at 10:15 AM to connect with neighbors at the New Parents Meetup.

10:30 AM MOST WEDNESDAYS

Wiggling Ones

12–24 months

Be prepared to move in this active music- and movement-centered program.

10 AM MOST TUESDAYS

Together 2s & 3s

2–3 years

Activities based around a letter of the day help your child develop letter recognition.

10 AM MOST MONDAYS

Preschool Storytime

3–5 years

Get school-ready by practicing critical language, listening, and pre-reading skills.

10 AM MOST THURSDAYS

Goodnight Tales for Tots

0–3 years

End your day with books and songs.

6 PM MOST TUESDAYS

Evening Stories with Miss Emily

3–8 years

Put on pajamas and wind down with a bedtime story.

7 PM MOST WEDNESDAYS

Sun & Fun Storytime

0–6 years

Big books and big movements with your favorite children's librarians.

VARIOUS DATES THROUGH OCTOBER
OUTSIDE LIBRARY ANNEX

Streaming Storytime

0–6 years

Say hello in the chat so we can greet your child by name. No signup required.

9 AM MOST MONDAYS
FACEBOOK LIVE

Streaming Science Storytime

0–6 years

A kid-friendly science concept and experiment in every session. No signup required.

10 AM MOST FRIDAYS
FACEBOOK LIVE

Sunshine Squad

0–6 years

Activities focused on social-emotional development and cultural appreciation. Pick up the accompanying craft kit in advance.

MONTHLY



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Sunday, September 5
Monday, September 6
Wednesday, November 24, 5–9 PM
Thursday, November 25

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